

By ARTHUR BRISBANE.  
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Editors and business managers of William Randolph Hearst's publications met in New York City yesterday.

As a reader, you are one of the real managers of the Hearst organization. The convention, therefore, interests you.

It is putting it mildly to say that the Hearst publishing enterprise is from every point of view the biggest in the world.

Ask any other publisher who knows.

The circulation of Hearst's daily newspapers exceeds 2,377,000.

The circulation of Hearst's Sunday newspapers is more than 2,513,000.

The circulation of the Hearst magazine is more than 2,751,000. And the cheapest of them sells for twenty-five cents a copy.

Hearst publications go into more than five million homes in the United States and into the hands of at least twenty-five million people in the United States.

There is no such circulation, no such possibility of useful publication anywhere else in the world. One fact interesting to you as a reader is this: In every city, in every publishing office controlled by Hearst there is constant growth and more rapid now than ever before.

You judge of the influence of a group of publications by the amount of money that the public pays in a year to buy those publications.

Next to Hearst's publishing concern, the greatest in America is that of Mr. Curtis, of Philadelphia, able man, possessing successful periodicals and extremely interesting newspapers.

The GAIN in circulation receipts, which means the amount the public pays for them, of Hearst publications in 1919, as compared with 1915, is more than the TOTAL circulation receipts of the Curtis organization.

In 1919, the public paid in cash for Hearst publications thirty-two million dollars, about three times what they paid in 1915 for the publications of Mr. Curtis, nearest competitor.

Hearst's Chicago morning newspaper, the Herald and Examiner, typifies the present growth of Hearst publications. In all circulation statements that the newspapers must make under oath to the Government, the last made on September 30, shows that the Herald and Examiner gained more than TWICE as much as all its competitors combined. That is to say, the increased circulation of the Chicago Herald and Examiner was more than TWICE the combined circulation increase shown by the Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Daily News, the Chicago Evening Post, and the Chicago Journal.

The Hearst newspapers are successful in a business way, as well as in circulation and influence, although desire for profit is not their mainspring.

In New York City, Mr. Hearst has, in the Evening Journal, the most powerful, as well as the most profitable newspaper in the world. If you wish confirmation of this statement ask Mr. Ochs, able owner of the New York Times. Waked out of a sound sleep, he could tell offhand just what all the important papers of the country are doing.

The convention of Hearst publishing executives, which began yesterday, is interesting because Hearst managers come in direct, constant contact with at least one-quarter of the population of the United States.

If you lived in China, Africa, or on Mars you would be interested in a small group dealing with one-quarter of all the inhabitants.

The payroll of the Hearst organization, which does a business of about seventy million dollars a year, answers one question asked by young men in schools of journalism. "Does newspaper work pay?"

In the small room where the Hearst executives met there were a number of newspaper workers with annual earnings greater than the salary of the President of the United States, and two at least twice as well paid as the President.

Students of journalism must not fix their minds on filthy lucre, but it will do them no harm to realize that, in modern journalism, working for your readers and the general public is profitable financially as well as spiritually.

With all respect for human nature, you cannot help observing that efforts made by Hearst newspapers to serve the public were imitated more widely in this country after the Hearst newspapers began making money and paying editors more than anybody else. In the preliminary stages, when Hearst was pumping millions rapidly from his private pocket into his newspaper business, there was less enthusiasm about imitating him.

It is only fair to the New York Evening World, however, to say that it waited only a few weeks

**WEATHER:**  
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# 13 Mexican Bandits Who Raided American Property Executed

## U.S. WAIVES CLAIM TO ENEMY SHIPS

### Van Schaick Opposition Opens War For Self-Rule, Say Witnesses

#### VILLA LEADER AND MEN SHOT

Brigands Executed by Firing Squad Committed Many Atrocities.

#### OUTRAGED WOMEN TAKEN

Looted and Burned Property of U. S. Corporation—Captured After Hard Battle.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Jan. 13.—Thirteen Mexican bandits who had been convicted of many crimes and atrocities, were executed by a firing squad Sunday evening near Tepic, southern Sonora, according to advices reaching the Mexican authorities at Agua Prieta, just across the border, today. The executions were carried out under the directions of Gen. Eduardo Gonzalez.

**Villa Leader Among Them.**  
The brigands were a part of those captured recently north of Hermosillo, after a hard battle with federal troops. Among them was a bandit leader named Juan Rodriguez, a former commander under Villa and at one time a commissioned officer in the Carranzista army.

Rodriguez and his gang were convicted of looting and burning the property of the Chicago Exploration and Development Corporation near Tonichi last October.

They were convicted of carrying a number of women into the hills where they were outrageously treated.

#### PRESIDENT'S AWARD FORMS COAL SCALE

Both Operators and Miners Agree on Terms as Basis of New Contract.

The final award made by President Wilson's coal commission in the controversy between the coal miners and operators will constitute a new contract between the miners and the operators.

This was decided upon today by the commission and was agreed to by both the operators and miners. A request for such a decision was made by the operators.

The operators today informed the commission they would not agree to any price fixing arrangement after the expiration of the Lever act.

They stated that they had been advised by attorneys that they could not enter into any agreement which would fix prices after the expiration of the Lever act and intimated that the commission does not have such power.

The original demands of the bituminous coal miners for a 60 per cent increase in wages, a six-hour working day and five days a week, were rejected by John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers, before the President's Coal Commission today.

This action took place immediately after an agreement had been reached between the commission, the operators and miners that the final award would constitute a new wage contract.

**Keeping Up With The Times**  
A FACT A DAY

Do you ever hear a man of really big affairs, a man who heads a big business, a man who invests on a big scale, express any doubt of the continued and continuous growth and prosperity of Washington?

#### Women To Aid In Arranging For 1920 Nominations

Mrs. George Bass and Miss May E. Foy to Have Voice In Preliminary Moves.

Women will have a hand in the preliminary arrangements of a Presidential nomination, for the first time in the history of the big political parties of the country. This is indicated in the announcement today by Chairman Cummings, of the Democratic National Committee, of the personnel of the committee on arrangements for the Democratic National Convention at San Francisco, June 28.

Mrs. George Bass, of Chicago, and Miss May E. Foy, of Los Angeles, are the two women named, who with fifteen male members of the national committee, will select a temporary chairman, and make up the temporary roll, and perfect other convention plans. Chairman Cummings, of Connecticut, will head the committee on arrangements.

The male members of the committee on arrangements are: J. Bruce Kremer, Montana; Wilbur W. Marsh, Iowa; Edward G. Hoffman, Indiana; Clark Howell, Georgia; Norman E. Mack, New York; Fred B. Lynch, Minnesota; Charles Boeschenstein, Illinois; E. H. Moore, Ohio; Arthur F. Mullen, Nebraska; Dr. John V. Coughlin, Massachusetts; Isidore B. Dockweiler, California; John T. Barnett, Colorado; Patrick H. Quinn, Rhode Island, and Robert H. Elder, Idaho.



MRS. GEORGE BASS.

#### Ship Board Asks Cut of \$125,000,000 in Budget

Chairman John Barton Payne, of the Shipping Board, in a letter to Chairman Good, of the House Appropriations Committee, today formally notified Congress that the Shipping Board will not need \$125,000,000 of the appropriation which it has asked.

The letter states that approximately \$100,000,000 and \$125,000,000 since January 1, 1919, at which time ships were put on a peace basis. Hope

is expressed that from now on the Shipping Board will be self-supporting.

The Shipping Board has been earning approximately \$8,000,000 a month in the year since the armistice, or since January 1, 1919, at which time ships were allocated for peace uses.

In the face of requests for huge appropriations from nearly every department of the Government, and in view of the demands for economy on every side, Chairman Payne's action created much surprise and satisfaction among friends of the Shipping Board. They pointed out that it compared most favorably with the showings of the railroads.

**UNFAIRNESS CHARGED IN ARMY MEDAL AWARDS**

Gallivan Urges Complete Investigation of House Military Committee.

Charges that many army medals for distinguished service were awarded unfairly were made in the House today by Congressman Gallivan of Massachusetts, in urging a complete investigation by the House Military Committee.

Many army officers who never heard a shot were given medals while scores of heroes in the A. E. F. have not been rewarded, Gallivan claimed, adding that the distinguished service medal as a result is now known as the "desk service medal."

He was bitter in his denunciation of Chief of Staff March, claiming that "he has not enough space between his belt and his collar to display the medal he received, and yet did not hear a hostile shot throughout the entire war."

General Pershing was attacked as having given a medal to "every commissioned messenger boy."

**\$115,000 PAID FOR SEAT ON N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE**

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—While call money rates were soaring yesterday and the stock market was slumping, it was unofficially stated that a seat on the exchange had been sold by an old-time member for \$115,000, the highest price ever paid for a membership.

Several weeks ago a seat brought \$110,000, which was the highest up to that time. Subsequently a seat sold for \$103,000, but since then the price has steadily advanced.

"Our Changing Civilization." Lecture tonight by L. W. Rogers, at Hotel Raleigh. —Advt.

#### MEXICO STARTS RELIEF AS VOLCANOS CEASE

Disturbances Leave Wake of Killed and Maimed—Help Being Rushed.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 13.—Volcanic disturbances in the State of Vera Cruz, which caused thousands of casualties, have ceased, according to private and official dispatches received today from the city of Vera Cruz. It was said that there had been no further violent eruptions since Sunday night.

Order is being restored in the district around Jauapa, which was the center of the area devastated by earthquake, flood, and volcanic eruptions. Relief work by the government and private agencies is being pushed at full speed.

#### WOMAN ROUTS FOUR ARMED BANDITS IN SALOON

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Four armed bandits who attempted to hold up a saloon early today, were beaten and driven off by Mrs. Ernest Berggren, wife of the saloonkeeper.

Mrs. Berggren prevented the robbery of ten patrons and her husband's cash register when the bandits started shooting.

She placed herself before the register and fought them off one by one.

One man was shot.

#### CLAIM 3-YEAR RULE BROKEN

Clayton Cites 1878 Act, Fixing Residence Requirement, Against Van Schaick.

#### CHARGES POLICY OF SILENCE

Committee Told President's Appointee Is Reluctant on Important Questions.

Vigorously protesting against the confirmation of the Rev. Dr. John Van Schaick, Jr., as District Commissioner, William McK. Clayton, warned the Senate District Committee today that the opposition to President Wilson's nominee is "the opening gun in the fight for self-determination by the people of the District of Columbia."

**Baptized in New Spirit.**  
"Washingtonians have been baptized in a new spirit of democracy since the war," Mr. Clayton said.

"The opposition to Dr. Van Schaick," he told the committee, "is not based so much on personal grounds as it is on the determination of the people of the District to stand up for their rights of self-government."

Characterizing the organic act of 1878 as the "Rock of Ages to which the people of the District cling," Mr. Clayton warned that the appointment of Dr. Van Schaick violates the letter and spirit of that act, which requires a District Commissioner to be an actual resident for three years before his appointment.

**Van Schaick Not Present.**  
Keen disappointment was shown by the crowded committee room when it was learned after the hearing opened that Dr. Van Schaick would not appear in his own defense.

Dr. Van Schaick's opponents had prepared a long list of questions to put to him. These questions involved charges concerning his residence here, his politics, his stand on public questions and matters growing out of the Bruce case.

"We had expected and had full confidence that Dr. Van Schaick would be here to answer these questions," (Continued on Page 2, Column 3.)

#### UNIFORM DIVORCE LAW ADVOCATED

Rev. William Sheafe, of Brooklyn, Urges Congress to Standardize Matrimonial Code.

Uniform divorce and marriage laws for the United States were advocated today before the House Judiciary Committee by the Rev. William Sheafe, rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, and a delegate.

In order to overcome the objection of State's rights, Mr. Sheafe advocated favorable action on the amendment to the Constitution proposed by Congressman Randall of California, which provides that "Congress shall have power to establish and enforce by appropriate legislation uniform laws as to marriage and divorce. Provided, that every State may by law exclude as to its citizens duly domiciled therein any or all causes for absolute divorce in such laws mentioned."

Under such constitutional amendment, said Mr. Sheafe, Congress could define grounds for absolute divorce, but the States would retain the power to reject any or all of the grounds, and even, as in South Carolina at this time, refuse to grant divorces.

"There is an alarming increase in divorces," said Dr. Sheafe, "due to defects in the marriage and divorce laws."

**PRESIDENT CABINET.**

President Wilson's Cabinet held a lengthy discussion today, but there was no intimation as to what had transpired.

"We had a long discussion," Secretary Lansing said, "but I am not at liberty to say what the subject of our discussion was."

#### Germans Call General Strike; Reichstag Is Barricaded

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The German independent socialists called a general strike at Berlin at noon today, according to a Reuter dispatch from that city.

The Reichstag building was reported to have been barricaded.

The independent socialists made a demonstration before the building, the dispatch said.

#### Doctor Hypnotized Wife Declares Prosecutor in Mustard Slaying Probe

MARKESAN, Wis., Jan. 13.—Dr. A. J. Freudenberg, charged with murdering his mother-in-law, Mrs. Nettie Duffies, by injection of a mustard solution, was alleged by District Attorney Paul today to have hypnotized his wife to win her support in his fight to clear himself.

#### Nurse Gives Testimony

The main evidence on which the coroner's jury returned a verdict accusing Dr. Freudenberg of the murder, was given by Mrs. Minnie Ballard, a nurse of Fond Du Lac, Wis., in a deposition she said:

"Mrs. Freudenberg told us she believed the doctor was responsible for her mother's death, and talked about it constantly. She was very angry with him, and said to him in my presence: 'If you did anything to finish my mother, you better get her well and do it damn quick.'"

Since the accusation was made by the coroner's jury, however, Mrs. Freudenberg has stood with her husband and said she would spend all the half-million dollar estate left by her mother, if necessary, to clear him.

When Freudenberg was arrested, Attorney Paul asked that the preliminary hearing be held up until January 22. He said today if Freudenberg is retained in jail until that time it may serve to break any influence which he may have had over his wife.

The authorities today turned their attention to determining the cause for the deaths of other members of the doctor's wife's family which have occurred since he married into it.

Due to the cold weather and the frozen ground, it may not be possible to exhume the body of Alfred Duffies, the doctor's father-in-law, for some days. He died two years ago, suddenly and unexpectedly.



DR. A. J. FREUDENBERG.

#### MONUMENT MEN BOOST PRICES OF MEMORIALS

Tombstone Carvers Follow Suit of Nurses, Druggists, Doctors, and Undertakers.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 13.—Physicians hereabout not long ago raised their fees.

Then the nurses demanded an increase.

The druggist, not to be outdone, lifted the cost of medicines.

The undertaker revised his scheduled upward.

Now the tombstone man declares he must have 20 per cent more for perpetuating a man's memory.

"It's a hard game," declares one manufacturer here today. "Everything has gone up but our charges. We're not profiteers like some others, though."

#### MYSTERY DISEASE STRIKES 1,000 IN TOPEKA

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 13.—More than 1,000 Topekan were said to be suffering today from the mysterious new disease that has broken out here within the last twenty-four hours. Some of the schools have the largest absentee lists in their history and the disease has invaded the Santa Fe general offices and shops and all other places where persons gather in numbers.

#### REFUSES 2 P.C. VESSEL AWARD

Peace Council Makes Decision of Division of Scapa Flow Sinking Reparation.

#### COMPLETE HUNGARY TREATY

Work of Body Virtually Ended. All Future Questions Go to Ambassadors.

PARIS, Jan. 13.—The Supreme Council of the Peace Conference today notified Hugh Wallace, American ambassador, that its decision to award the United States only 2 per cent of the German shipping to be distributed among the allied and associated powers was unchanged.

Wallace immediately replied that the United States preferred to waive its claim entirely.

The conference completed the Hungarian treaty without modifications today. It refused the Serbian request that the Croats be recognized as a separate entity within Hungary.

Following these actions the council virtually passed out of existence. It was decided to refer all questions in the future to a committee of ambassadors. The council also decided to publish the minutes of the Peace Conference.

The notification by this Supreme Council at Paris to Ambassador Wallace that it had decided the United States would be given only 2 per cent of German shipping, applies to the reparation that Germany agreed to make for sinking of the German fleet at Scapa Flow, it was said at the State Department today.

#### MOYNEHAN, MILLIONAIRE LUMBERMAN, IS DEAD

GLENSFALLS, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Patrick Moynihan, millionaire lumberman, died at his home here today. He started life without a cent and died the owner of vast timber tracts and a chain of stores in the Adirondacks, being the largest individual owner of real estate in this city.

He was president of the Post-Star Publishing Company.

#### ITALY WILL ACCEPT FIUME COMPROMISE

PARIS, Jan. 13.—Premier Clemenceau and Premier Lloyd George, by forceful argument, have induced Premier Nitti of Italy to assent to a compromise on Fiume acceptable to the Jugoslavs, and are now studying the geographical boundaries, it was reported today.

#### ASK FOR PENSIONS.

Representatives of the military telegraphers' corps of the civil war, headed by David H. Bates, New York, appeared today before the House Military Committee and urged that all who were in this service for ninety days be pensioned.